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UCC FILING NOW AVAILABLE IN BULK

The Idaho Secretary of State's office is now prepared to receive bulk UCC filings from businesses. The new web-based service uses extensible markup language (XML) and costs \$4 per filing, which is \$2 cheaper than the fax method.

Dubbed the Idaho UCC XML Bulk Filing Service, it allows your company to file multiple UCC-1 liens and UCC-3 lien amendments directly with the Secretary of State's office without prepaying or faxing.



Other benefits include

- No convenience fees or surcharges
- Same-day filing
- Quick sign-up and "hook-up"
- Real-time online billing report access
- Notification of acceptance/rejection
- No charge for processing failures
- Secure, encrypted connection
- Password protected
- Always "open"

To begin bulk lien filing, companies must have an ID number and a *User Implementation Guide* from the Secretary of State, as well as a Premium Subscription account from Access Idaho.

To obtain an ID number, call the Secretary of State's Fiscal Division at 208-334-5355. The *User Implementation Guide*, which is available in PDF format online at www.idsos.state.id.us/docs/uccxml.htm, features two sets of instructions. The first set lists the non-technical steps to set up an account, including usernames and passwords. The second, longer document contains technical XML configuration information that your company's IT specialist needs to know for proper set up and testing.

For technical information, contact Hal Barker at hbarker@idsos.state.id.us or 208-332-2856.

Access Idaho Premium Service Subscription Agreement forms are available at www.idaho.gov/online services and by calling 208-332-0102 or (toll free) 877-443-3468.

The \$75 annual subscription fee and lien filing costs may be paid by check from a monthly invoice or electronically using Visa, MasterCard or Discover. If you are already a subscriber, you can add the service at no extra charge.

Up to 99 users, each assigned with a unique username and password for security, may be added to a subscriber account. The system also allows a company-designated contact to edit their respective user roster and view online billing reports. @

COMING SOON



One-Stop Business Web Site

A wide array of state agencies are collaborating to develop a Web site devoted to those doing business in or with Idaho. The goal is to minimize the confusion and red tape associated with starting, running, closing, and selling a business. The first phase should be launched by August.

FILE FEWER TAX FORMS

As you most likely know, the 2004 Idaho Legislature passed a law eliminating the need to file a quarterly Idaho



Income Tax Withholding Return, Form 958 (includes Form 958-A for split-monthly filers). The law went into effect on Jan. 1, 2004, and is expected to reduce the number of returns employers file and the Tax Commission processes by more than 100,000 annually.

However, you may not know that you *do not* need to file a Form 910 when you file electronically and pay by credit card or Electronic

Funds Transfer (EFT), even if you file "zero." This applies whether you file monthly, split-monthly, quarterly, or annually. Just remember to choose the correct tax period corresponding with your filing cycle when you pay online.

For more information, please visit the Tax Commission's website at http://tax.idaho.gov, or call them at 334-7660 in the Boise area or 1-800-972-7660 toll free. (a)

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Useful Ideas for Subscribers



Two new features debuted recently on the state of Idaho's expanding website that may be helpful to you:

Full Fee Internet Renewal System Guide

Step-by-step tutorial on how the Idaho Transportation Department's online Full Fee registration renewal process works. (PDF)

www.itd.idaho.gov/dmv/MotorCarrierServices/ full fee online instructions.pdf

Insurance Agency Policy Search

If you are a commercial insurance agent and have policies underwritten by the State Insurance Fund, you can now access policy history and status online. The free, password-protected service allows you to search and view policy details, such as books of business, past due transactions, pending cancel/cancel policies, and renewal reports. For more information, please visit www2.state.id.us/isifnew/new_accounts.html. @

NEW CARDS HELP TRUCKERS MAKE THE RIGHT CALL

To provide an easy way to help trucking companies and

their drivers keep track of important transportation-related Idaho phone numbers, Access Idaho has printed plastic, credit card-size reference cards prominently featuring the new trucking website address, trucking.idaho.gov.

One side of the card lists numbers for the Idaho road report, the One Stop Shop (for registrations), the Idaho State Police's commercial vehicle safety department and statewide emergency dispatch, the port of entry headquarters, the overlegal permit office, the vehicle titles office, and the Tax Commission (for International Fuel Tax Agreement inquiries). The

other side lists the locations and phone numbers of Idaho's 10 ports of entry.





The Idaho Transportation
Department is distributing the cards at their One Stop Shop office, all ports of entry statewide, and at all eight motor carrier seminars statewide. The Idaho Tax
Commission is giving the reference cards to new customers, and the Idaho State Police has given them to its field officers for distribution.

If you would like *free* trucking reference cards for your office and/ or drivers, please e-mail your request to Rich at rich@accessidaho.org, or call him at (Boise area) 332-0102 or (toll free) 877-443-3468. @